



## Joann B. Koss

November 16, 1940 - September 9, 2025

Joann Koss, 84, of Washington, MI, passed away on September 9, 2025, after a courageous struggle with illness. She faced her illness with courage and grace, the same way she lived her life.

Born on November 16, 1940, in Detroit, Michigan, to Mary and Roman Okonowski, Sr., Joann lived a life filled with love and devotion to her family. She was the matriarch—the guiding presence who anchored our family with her strength and unwavering love.

Whether it was gathering the family for the holidays, offering words of encouragement, or simply being there with a hug, she was the heart of our family.

Above all, Joann cherished her 66 years of marriage to her beloved husband, Earl. Their love and devotion to one another was a shining example to all who knew them.

She is survived by her children Michael (Ruth) Koss, Lori (Steve) Schulwitz-Wood, and Mark (Jennifer) Koss; her 11 grandchildren; and her 27 great-grandchildren, as well as her brother Roman (Kathy) Okonowski and many extended family members and friends who loved her dearly. She was preceded in death by her beloved daughter, Lenore; her parents, Mary and

Roman; and her sister, Mary Ann Dorsey.

A celebration of Joann's life will be held on Sunday, September 14 with visitation beginning at 1 PM, followed by a 6 PM funeral service at Wasik Funeral Home in Shelby Twp. 49150 Schoenherr Rd. (n. of 22 Mile Rd). Family and friends are welcome to join us in honoring her memory.

Her love will continue to guide us, and her spirit will forever live on in the family she built and nurtured.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 14. 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home, Shelby Township  
49150 Schoenherr Rd.  
Shelby Township, MI 48315  
(586) 532-8600  
shelby@wasikfuneralhome.com

## Funeral Service

SEP 14. 6:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home, Shelby Township  
49150 Schoenherr Rd.  
Shelby Township, MI 48315  
(586) 532-8600  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Joann B. Koss.*



September 12, 2025 at 07:46 AM



“ *The Dennis family purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Joann B. Koss.*



**The Dennis family** - September 11, 2025 at 04:32 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Joann B. Koss.*



September 10, 2025 at 08:03 PM



“ *Love Donna and Scott Skeate purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of Joann B. Koss.*



**Love Donna and Scott Skeate** - September 10, 2025 at 06:32 PM

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“ Love Donna and Scott Skeate planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joann Koss.

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**Love Donna and Scott Skeate** - September 10, 2025 at 06:32 PM